

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI  
EASTERN DIVISION

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE )  
COMMISSION, )  
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Plaintiff, )  
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vs.                   )              Case No. 4:12-CV-80 (CEJ)  
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BURTON DOUGLAS MORRISS, et al., )  
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Defendants.          )

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

This matter is before the Court on the receiver's first interim application for allowance and payment of fees and expenses incurred by the receiver, retained counsel, and other professionals. The receiver submitted the application to the Securities and Exchange Commission for review before filing it with the Court. No objection has been filed.

The receiver seeks 80% of the total amount of legal and professional fees and 100% of the costs, without prejudice to a further application for payment of the remaining 20% of the fees. The Court has reviewed the application and supporting documentation and concludes that the requested fees and costs are reasonable and appropriate.

Accordingly,

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that the receiver's first interim application for fees and expenses [Doc. #155] is granted.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the following fees and expenses are allowed and the receiver is authorized to make the following payments out of the assets of the receivership estate:

- (1) \$301,266.96 in legal fees and \$21,158.67 in costs to Thompson Coburn, LLP;
- (2) \$12,724.61 in professional fees to Segue Equity Group;
- (3) \$4,531.46 in legal fees and costs for Pepper Hamilton, LLP; and
- (4) \$12,676.00 in professional fees for FTL Capital, LLC.



CAROL E. JACKSON  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Dated this 20th day of September, 2012.